# **Ranger Evening Programs**

**Mesa Verde National Park** 

**National Park Service** U.S. Department of the Interior



## **Evening Programs Morefield Campground Amphitheater**

@ 9:00pm\*

#### **Friday**

#### **Shadows of the Canyons**

As the consummate predators of Mesa Verde, mountain lions and bobcats keep the "wild" in wilderness. By learning about these wild cats' amazing adaptations and skills, we can come to a better understanding about the ways that these shadows of the canyons haunt the human imagination, as well.

#### **Ranger Janis Buckerus**

#### Saturday

#### **An Arctic Explorer in the American Southwest**

Hear how Gustav Nordenskiöld brought science to the early archaeology of Mesa Verde.

### **Ranger Kim Sturm**

#### Sunday

#### **Dog Bones and Turkey Legs**

From companion to food, the domesticated animals of the ancient southwest enabled a civilization to thrive in a challenging land.

#### **Ranger Tim Stubbs**

#### **Monday**

#### **Climbing Through Time at Mesa Verde**

Ascend the canyon walls with Ranger David Franks as he examines and compares the climbing techniques of the Ancestral Puebloans with modern day climbing methods.

#### **Ranger David Franks**

#### **Tuesday Common Critters**

Come learn about our commonly seen mammals and birds within Mesa Verde National Park. Ranger Jessica Kane will also tell you where and how to safely view these animals.

#### **Ranger Jessica Kane**

#### Wednesday

#### **Coyote Watches the Stars**

Coyote watches the stars... and so will we. Bring blankets and binoculars for a evening of stargazing.

#### **Ranger Jim Zachary**

#### **Thursday** Fire on the Mesa

Join Ranger Mariana to learn about the history of fire on the Mesa Verde and what makes our unique ecosystem so conducive to it.

#### **Ranger Marianna Marshall**